

Chronicle



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Dr. Tamara Berg 2018 AAWD President



The American Association of Women Dentists recently installed Tamara Berg, DDS, of Yukon, Oklahoma, as its 2018 president.

Dr. Berg has been a leader in organized dentistry for more than 20 years, serving on the executive board and on the Board of Trustees for Smiles for Success Foundation.

Read her message on page 2 and learn about her goals for 2018.

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President's Message



**Tamara Berg, DDS
2018 AAWD President**

Happy 2018! What an honor and privilege to serve you this year as AAWD President 2018. My story is similar to many of yours, but let me share a little about me. I am in private practice in Yukon, Oklahoma, and have stayed active in organized dentistry. I am the mother of two teenage boys—a senior in high school and a seventh-grader. I have a very supportive husband who encourages me on a daily basis. When my kids were younger, I was blessed to have them at the office with me for a time or after school. Patients loved the balance of being a mom and being a dentist.

My passion is women in dentistry. The AAWD organization provides the support to mentor, grow and retire with other female colleagues from around the country. We have a unique bond. I encourage each of you to get involved at some level.

Find a female colleague in your dental school, the town in which you practice, or at the state level. At our meetings, we can discuss family life, raising kids, aspects of dentistry, and challenges of running a practice; there is not a topic that is off limits.

As the number of females in dental school increases, our mission only becomes more valuable. We need you. Join me in inviting another female to this great organization. I hope to meet many of you on my travels throughout 2018. Please come introduce yourself; my ear is open to any suggestions to make the American Association of Women Dentists a better organization for YOU.

Mark your calendar now for our annual meeting; you do not want to overlook being a part of this life-changing event. We will be in Savannah, Georgia, the weekend of October 5-6, 2018. It will be a meeting you will not want to miss.

Wishing you a prosperous and healthy 2018!

Tamara Berg, DDS
2018 AAWD President

Want to contribute to the *Chronicle*?

Our section "Tales from the Dentist's Chair" is your chance to share unique case studies, personal essays and stories of challenges and triumphs in your career and practice. To be considered for the May issue, please submit your story or essay (500 words or fewer) to chronicle@aawd.org by April 1, 2018.

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2018 AAWD Executive Committee



Tamara Berg, DDS
2018 AAWD President



Above, Dr. Berg is pictured with her staff at Berg Family Dentistry, Yukon, Oklahoma. With Dr. Berg are (from left) Sheri, dental assistant; Valerie, hygienist; Jennifer, hygienist; Dr. Berg; Jessica, front office; and Heather, hygienist. For more information, visit <http://bergfamilydentistry.com>.

Tamara Berg, DDS, has maintained a private practice for the past 20 years in Yukon, Oklahoma, outside of the Oklahoma City area. In 1991 she earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Southern Nazarene University in Bethany, Oklahoma. She graduated from the University of Oklahoma College of Dentistry in 1995.

Dr. Berg has been involved in AAWD throughout her career, initially as a student representative on the AAWD Board in 1995. She has been an active member of AAWD for more than 20 years, serving several roles on the AAWD Board of Directors and The Smiles for Success Foundation Board. She has served as President of her local Oklahoma Association of Women Dentists chapter twice, in 1998-1999 and 2006-2007.

Dr. Berg is a Past President of the Oklahoma County Dental Association and, in 2010-11, she was one of only a few women who has served as the Oklahoma Dental Association President. In 2011 she chaired the Oklahoma Mission of Mercy project and remains dedicated to participating in the philanthropic event. She is currently an alternate delegate to the American Dental Association. Beyond dentistry, Dr. Berg, her husband and their two sons are actively engaged with the Yukon community.

“Being a part of the American Association of Women Dentists has always been important to me. I have enjoyed learning and growing from my female mentors, as well as being able to mentor other female dental students. The balance of being a mom and a female dentist is something that needs support, and the AAWD offers that to its members.

“With dental school classes approaching 50 percent female, we want to mentor these young women and help them grow in both their personal and practice lives.

“Leading AAWD as President, the continued growth of membership is my number one priority for 2018. We have so many amazing female dentists across the country that can be leaders, mentors, and support the growing number of female dental school graduates.”



Dr. Berg and her family enjoy a seaside meal while vacationing on Grand Cayman Island. Pictured (clockwise) are Lowell, her husband; Clayton (12) and Karsten (18), her sons; and Dr. Berg.



Dr. Berg and her family at an Oklahoma City Thunder game.

2018 AAWD Executive Committee (continued)



Brittany Bergeron, DDS
President-Elect
University of Maryland
School of Dentistry (2013)

Brittany Bergeron is in private practice in downtown Baltimore, where she enjoys focusing on restorative and cosmetic dentistry. Dr. Bergeron has been on the AAWD Board of Directors since 2012. In addition to being part of numerous other national and local organizations, Dr. Bergeron enjoys mentoring dental students at the University of Maryland and through AAWD.

Daphne Ferguson-Young, DDS,
MSPH
Vice President
Meharry Medical College
School of Dentistry (1979)

Daphne Ferguson-Young is the Director of the General Practice Residence Program at Meharry Medical College. She is a former Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves, serving two tours, one in Iraq from 2003-2004. Her dental experiences range from community dental health to dental academia. Dr. Ferguson-Young's community outreach activities involve mission trips, including an annual Jamaica trip she leads with third-year dental students.



Tanya M. Gibson, DDS
Treasurer
Meharry Medical
College

Tanya Gibson is a Diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology, a Fellow of the American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology, and a full-time faculty member at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Her teaching responsibilities include providing the general, systemic and oral pathology curriculum to the pre-doctoral students, advanced education dental residents and allied dental health students. Dr. Gibson also maintains an active practice in diagnostic surgical and clinical oral pathology and provides oral and maxillofacial pathology continuing education programs on a local, regional and national level.

Jodie Wing Lee, DMD
Secretary
Harvard School of
Dental Medicine (2002)

Jodie Wing Lee is a Clinical Associate Professor, Director of Advanced Education I General Dentistry and Dr. S. Orlando Somers Professor of Advanced General Dentistry at the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Dentistry. In addition to teaching and administrative work, Dr. Lee practices at the UMKC Dental Faculty Practice. Prior to joining UMKC, she was in private practice in Los Angeles and was a part-time clinical instructor at the University of Southern California GPR Program.



Karyl C. Patten
DDS, MPH, JM
Immediate Past President
Meharry Medical College
School of Dentistry (1990)

Karyl Patten is an Assistant Professor at Emory University School of Medicine and Dental Director for the nonprofit program Whitefoord Inc. Whitefoord Inc., in partnership with Emory University, developed school-based dental programs in Georgia. Dr. Patten also holds faculty positions at The Dental College of Georgia at Augusta University and faculty advisor for West Georgia Technical College. She has garnered local, state and national recognition for her programs in school based dental care.

Elizabeth Diaz Ramos
DDS, MSD
Editor
The Ohio State University
College of Dentistry (1997)

Elizabeth Ramos is the Director of Program and Institutional Assessment in the office of academic affairs and a Clinical Assistant Professor in the periodontics department at Indiana School of Dentistry. In 2011 she made a full-time commitment to dental education at IUSD, after 14 years in Ohio as a general dentist then as a periodontist, with a part-time faculty appointment in the division of periodontology at The Ohio State University.



Every Day is Ladies' Day at AAWD!



The Women's Reception at the 2017 ADA meeting in Atlanta, Georgia.



AAWD at the 2017 ADA Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia.



Dr. Kady Rawal and Jo-Ann Alleyne, CDA, represent the dental team of Hebrew Senior Life at the 2017 Walk to End Alzheimer's in Boston, Massachusetts.



The first Massachusetts Dental Society Foundation grant event "Saving Senior Smiles" held at Brookline Senior Center on November 14, 2017.



Drs. Berg, Anthony Volpe and Margaret Scarlett in October at the ADA meeting in Atlanta.



Drs. Winifred Booker (far left) and Dr. Karyl Patten (to her right) at the Greater New York Dental Meeting in November.



Dr. Tamara Berg with Dr. Betsy Brackett, president of the American College of Prosthodontists, at the ADA meeting.



Getting ready for Hawaii in 2018: Dr. Berg with Oklahoma Delegates Drs. Shannon Griffin and Krista Jones.

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Member News



On December 7, 2017, **Mojdeh Dehghan, DDS**, (left photo, third from right) Associate Professor at the University of Tennessee College of Dentistry, was awarded the University of Tennessee Research Foundation Maturation Grant and received \$30,000 for her novel technology (Neutramel lollipops and lozenges for treatment and prevention of tooth erosion in adults).

Endodontist **Maria Maranga, DDS**, was recognized by *Dental Products Report* as one of the "Top 25 Women in Dentistry for 2017." In her nomination, Dr. Maranga was described as "a true powerhouse". Her nominator continued, "As a private practice endodontist, she somehow manages to find time and energy to be a tireless fund- and friend-raiser for the NYS Dental Foundation, whose mission is to improve the oral health of all New Yorkers. Dr. Maranga has a special gift of connecting with others, which she uses to provide valuable mentoring to students and dental residents. She serves organized dentistry as the chair of the American Dental Association's Council on Membership and as a board director of the American Association of Endodontists. Recently, she was instrumental in launching the statewide NYS Veterans Smile Initiative, which encourages dentists to volunteer their time and expertise to providing veterans with much needed dental treatment. In each endeavor, she brings 100 percent commitment to excellence." Click here to read more about Dr. Maranga: www.dentalproductsreport.com.



Mary Martin, DDS (AAWD President, 2016 and 1995), of Eagle Dental in Edmond, Oklahoma, was presented with the 2017 University of Oklahoma College of Dentistry Alumnus of the Year Award on October 6, 2017. AAWD President Dr. Tamara Berg stated, "It was my privilege to introduce Dr. Mary Martin as the 2017 University of Oklahoma Alumnus of the Year. Dr. Martin was a professor when I was in school, but now she is a colleague and dear friend who has given a lifetime to dentistry in Oklahoma."

At the 31st Annual Fundraising Banquet of the Jamaica Awareness Association of California, held in Los Angeles, California, on November 11, 2017, **Daphne Ferguson-Young, DDS**, (right, center) was honored as a 2017 recipient for leading the Meharry Medical College School of Dentistry's D3 dental students on its annual Jamaica mission trip. In collaboration with the Jamaica Awareness Association of California (JAAC), a 30-year plus nonprofit organization, which sponsors the yearly medical/dental educational mission trip (since 2000) to the Trelawney Parish in Jamaica, Dr. Ferguson-Young and her students have made a positive difference in their communities both nationally and internationally. Last year the dental team provided dental care to 693 patients in 4.5 days.



Member News (continued)



Lisa Marie Samaha, DDS, FAGD is Clinical Director of the Diabetic and Cardiac Dental Center, created for dental wellness and collaborative medical care in Newport News, Virginia. She has recently been published in two textbooks for medical and dental health care professionals:

Advances in Ozone Therapy in Medicine and Dentistry. Her contribution supports the uses of ozone in dentistry for the prevention and treatment of dental decay, periodontal disease and surgical wound healing.

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New Fellows in the International College of Dentists

On October 18, 2017, three AAWD members were inducted into the International College of Dentists: **Renée W. Joskow**, (bottom photo, left) DDS, MPH, FAGD, FACD, FICD, Chief Dental Officer for the Health Resources and Services Administration; **Ana N. López-Fuentes** (bottom photo right), DMD, MPH, FACD, FICD, Dean of the University of Puerto Rico School of Dental Medicine, were recently inducted in the International College of Dentists at the convocation ceremony in Atlanta, Georgia; and **Kadambari (Kady) Rawal** (bottom left photo), BDS, CAGS, FASGD, FICD, Clinical Assistant Professor at Boston University, Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine.

Fellowship is awarded by invitation only to recognize a dentist's "outstanding professional achievement, meritorious service and dedication to the continued progress of dentistry for the benefit of humankind." The convocation ceremony was held in Atlanta, Georgia, during the annual meeting of the American Dental Association.



Kadambari (Kady) Rawal, BDS, CAGS, FASGD, FICD



Renée W. Joskow, (left) DDS, MPH, FAGD, FACD, FICD, and Ana N. López-Fuentes DMD, MPH, FACD, FICD



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Member Benefits

Check out the new AAWD membership benefits!



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Along with the New Year, we welcome the AAWD 401(k) Plan member benefit. Exclusive to AAWD member practice owners, this new retirement plan offering will extend group institutional pricing, full fiduciary coverage, and provide significant cost savings over non-AAWD 401(k) plans. Whether you have an existing plan, or are just getting started, Merrill Lynch can help you plan and transition your retirement assets to the new AAWD member 401(k) Plan.

In addition, AAWD members will have access to a dedicated Merrill Lynch Financial Advisory team, The Spickler Wealth Management Group. For both 401(k) support and personalized financial planning, they will help navigate members through the lifecycle of a woman dentist, from managing dental school debt to practice legacy. The Spickler Wealth Management Group, founded in 1980 by Melissa Spickler, dedicates itself to promoting, motivating, advising and guiding woman as they pursue their financial goals and aspirations. We look forward to sharing more information on this exciting new member benefit in the coming weeks!

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Member Benefits (continued)

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Tales from the Dentist's Chair

Scrubs and Stilettos

Written by Maria Maranga, DDS



Pictured above is Dr. Maria Maranga (left), from Suffolk County Dental Society, with Dr. Lydia Epel, from Suffolk County Dental Society, who was an original co-chair of Scrubs and Stilettos.

My name is Dr. Maria Maranga, and I am the co-creator of the 8th Annual Women's Dental CE program called SCRUBS AND STILETTOS. They say that it is flattering to be copied, and I agree. Many women's groups that I have addressed during my tenure at the American Dental Association (ADA) and American Association of Endodontists (AAE) have copied our program—"Drills and Frills," "High Heels and Handpieces," "Loupes and Lipstick," just to name a few.

Each year we present a continuing education program. This year after a full breakfast, our keynote speaker, Dr. Irene Marron-Tarrazzi, ADA first Vice President (2017), gave a 20-minute presentation, updating the audience on what the ADA is doing for the female practitioner. In the past, Drs. Maxine Feinberg, Pat Blanton, Barbara Steinberg and Kathy O'Laughlin were keynote speakers for the event.

Following the keynote address, three 45-minute round table (10-12 to a table) lectures were given by local female dentists. In addition, we hold raffles of donated gifts from local merchants or dental supply folks. We also honor a local female dentist who has contributed to organized dentistry through leadership, mentorship and/or teaching. This year I received this honor.

The event is held at a catering facility, and we have many sponsors, both dental related and non-dental. This year I decided to include a 50/50 to aid the ADA Foundation's effort to provide relief to Puerto Rico. The winner graciously gave back her portion to the cause. Lastly, I also wanted us to contribute to a local Dress for Success chapter and we collected a whole truck full of slightly used business clothes!

Since its inception, we have felt that women teaching women is the best way to get more women involved, to attend CE events and provide a mentorship forum. We also invite students, residents and the Dean of our local dental school, Stony Brook University School of Dental Medicine. In fact, this year, a past student, resident and speaker "gave back" by providing the course fee of \$50 to another student. Thus, the circle of dental life, as she called it, will continue!

We remain very proud of our success and have partnered with other groups around the country to bring female dental comradery to all. If you need more specific details, let me know.

Maria Maranga, DDS, is a faculty member of Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine. She is a 1988 graduate of the New York College of Dentistry and received her certificate for endodontics from New York University in 1991.



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University of the Pacific
Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry
Natalie Okuhara (2018)
AAWD Chapter President

The University of the Pacific's AAWD chapter gathered for a festive party to celebrate the holidays together before finals and Winter Break. The student and faculty members enjoyed mingling and participating in an exciting White Elephant gift exchange. Everyone had fun taking a break from studying to eat, chat and be merry!



Back row (left to right): Madee Pasimio, Chelsea Glissann, Sonal Anand, Divleen Bains, Jasmine Yee, Cathy Han, Nainesh Tailor, Sammy Lee, Dr. Shika Gupta, Supriya Kazi, Hilary Parsons, Caitlin Konicek, Shivani Bhatt and Mega Patel. Front row (left to right): Caitlin Ha, Dr. Leticia Ferreira Cabido, Dr. Bernadette Alvear Fa, Dr. Lisa Itaya, Natalie Okuhara, Ashleigh Areias and Grace Chung.

Nova Southeastern University
College of Dental Medicine
Julia Collazo (2019)
AAWD Chapter President

Each year, NOVA's local AAWD Chapter works to raise money and help provide meals for those less fortunate within our community.

This year AAWD had one of its most productive years thus far. We kicked off our fundraising with a Halloween bake sale, within our College of Health Professions.

Our members pulled through exceptionally well by volunteering to bake and prepare goodies for the sale. Following the bake sale, we began collecting canned foods for direct donation.

By the middle of December, our organization managed to donate over 500 pounds of food and over 1900 meals (from monetary donations and funds raised) to those within our community. Being located directly in South Florida, we see so many families impacted by hunger and poverty each day.

As a result, NOVA's AAWD Chapter finds it extremely important to help provide for as many families as possible, especially over the holidays. We are looking forward to an even more successful drive next year!



Julia Collazo (D3) and Nicole Elia (D2) host a bake sale to raise money for the less fortunate within their community.

Student News (continued)

University of Illinois at Chicago
College of Dentistry
Karen Homsy (2019)
AAWD Chapter Member



AAWD members participated in a peer mentorship session guiding second-year students hosted by ADEA Student Organization. Activities included tooth selection and radiographic technique for pre-doctoral endodontic course.

TOP LEFT: AAWD Community Service Chair Jona Aliaj (right) and classmate Crystal Luna is excited to participate in the peer mentoring session.

TOP RIGHT: AAWD member Mina Golubovich (seated) demonstrating techniques to D2 students Alison Stephans, Jackie Wisinski and Erika Peters.

RIGHT: AAWD member Karen Homsy (right) and orthodontic resident Mayasa Oubaidin, sporting Pink Gowns, Masks and Gloves in support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October 2017.



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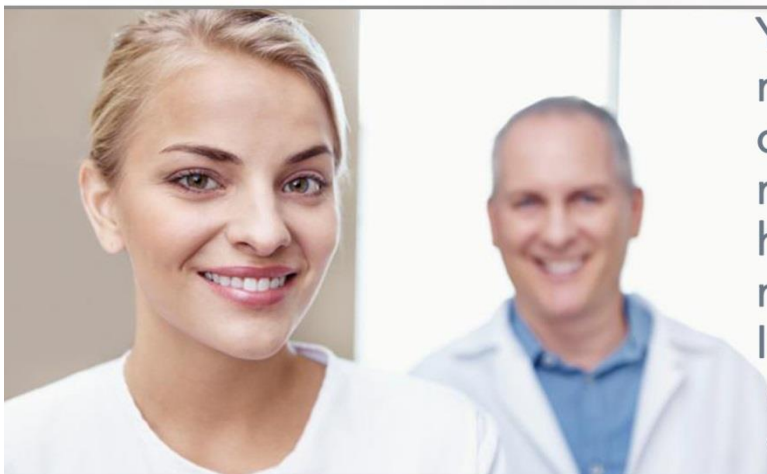


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AAWD Announcements

Eleanor J. Bushee Award Nominations Due March 1

The American Association of Women Dentists presents the Eleanor J. Bushee Senior Dental Student Award each year to celebrate graduating women dental students who have achieved academic excellence and have demonstrated outstanding leadership.

Dr. Bushee was a 1948 alumna of Northwestern University Dental School. After 15 years in private practice, she began her career in academia at Southern Illinois University of Dental Medicine. She attained the position of Professor of Pediatric Dentistry and Orthodontics and Assistant Dean for Administration.



Dr. Bushee's contributions have been admired by generations of women entering the dental profession. Her work with the American Dental Association (ADA) led to the inception of the 1986 National Conference on the Woman Dentist. She is credited with originating the idea for the conference. The AAWD and ADA co-sponsored the historical gathering, which covered topics from sole proprietorship to research. In 1987, when she served as AAWD president, Dr. Bushee visited with the British Women in Dentistry group to share thoughts about the challenges women in dentistry experienced. In honor of Dr. Eleanor J. Bushee, each U.S. dental school is invited to recommend a female senior dental student who exemplifies her qualities of high achievement, strength of character, ingenuity and enthusiasm in the dental profession. An advisor or dean recommends the student to receive the award.

The deadline for applications is March 1, with recipients to be selected by April 1. Please contact the National Office at 1-800-920-2293 or visit www.aawd.org for additional information and the award application.

Please Help Smiles For Success Reach Its 100 By 100th Goal!



The American Association of Women Dentists will celebrate its 100th anniversary in 2021. By that year, our goal is to have 100 percent of active AAWD members partnering with the Smiles for Success Foundation.

Smiles for Success offers cost-free dental care to women graduates of accredited job readiness and placement programs or other community-based agencies. We encourage all active members to find an appropriate way to participate in Smiles for Success. Whether it is a tax-deductible monetary donation or a donation of time and/or dental services, every AAWD member can find some meaningful way to assist those individuals who are helping themselves through this life-changing program.

Although 2017 has ended, **you still have until April 15, 2018**, to make charitable donations and receive credit on your 2017 taxes. To make a tax-deductible donation or to find out how you can assist with Smiles for Success, please contact the national office at 800-920-2293 or visit the website at www.smilesforsuccess.org. You can also email us at info@smilesforsuccess.org.

CORPORATE MEMBER PROFILE: WORKS24



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AAWD Welcomes Its Newest Members

WEST

Caitlin Ha	Freemont, CA	Student	Mega Patel	San Francisco, CA	Student
Minahil Khan	Pleasanton, CA	Student	Jasmine Yee	San Francisco, CA	Student
Lisa Itaya	San Francisco, CA	Faculty	Sonal Anand	San Francisco, CA	Student
Ashleigh Areias	San Francisco, CA	Student	Divieen Bains	San Francisco, CA	Student
Patel Grishma	San Francisco, CA	Student	Madeline Pasimio	San Francisco, CA	Student
Mia Tittle	San Francisco, CA	Student	Samantha Lee	San Francisco, CA	Student
Hilary Parsons	San Francisco, CA	Student	Atiya Bahmanyar	Woodland Hills, CA	Post Graduate

SOUTHWEST

Trischa A. Clarke	Broken Arrow, OK	Active	Mary Hamburg	Oklahoma City, OK	Faculty
Blaire Bowers	Edmond, OK	Active	Ashley Bledsoe Cook	Shawnee, OK	Active

MIDWEST

Kristina Sakas	Buffalo Grove, IL	Post Graduate	Sheyda Maghsoudi	Cincinnati, OH	Post Graduate
Deepty Nair	Nove, MI	Faculty			

SOUTHEAST

Rachael Cross	Phenix City, AL	Student	Elizabeth Lucas	Jackson, MS	Student
Bahar Nia	Atlanta, GA	Active	Nikki Morel	Jackson, MS	Student
Monica Chana	Augusta, GA	Faculty	Reagan McNeerney	Jackson, MS	Student
Britney Lewis	Augusta, GA	Student	Holly Raymond	Jackson, MS	Student
Michelle Lonati	Augusta, GA	Student	Emilie Caron	Jackson, MS	Student
Nicole Jones	Augusta, GA	Student	Catherine Holman	Jackson, MS	Student
Warren Kritsanachaiwanich	Augusta, GA	Student	Alexa Engel	Jackson, MS	Student
Kamarin Moon	Augusta, GA	Student	Brandie L. White	Jackson, MS	Student
Thu Doan	Augusta, GA	Student	Terah Winborne Shelby	Madison, MS	Student
Akata Patel	Augusta, GA	Student	Payal Patel	Madison, MS	Student
Cameron Hampton	Augusta, GA	Student	Erin Coggin	Madison, MS	Student
Carly Egan	Augusta, GA	Student	Emily Moore	Charleston, SC	Student
Chandni Patel	Augusta, GA	Student	Caitlin Null	Charleston, SC	Student
Chelsea Middleton	Augusta, GA	Student	Kelley Quinn	Charleston, SC	Post Graduate
Courtney Marshall	Augusta, GA	Student	Caitlin Lyda	Charleston, SC	Student
Dafna Lapidot	Augusta, GA	Student	Emily Arrowood	Charleston, SC	Post Graduate
Jackie Janzen	Augusta, GA	Student	Kelly Nguyen	Hanahan, SC	Student
Lainie Smith	Augusta, GA	Student	Ashlye "Taylor" Fox	Mt. Pleasant, SC	Student
Macy Malcom	Augusta, GA	Student	Clair Poff	Hendersonville, TN	Active
Zachary Patterson	Augusta, GA	Student	Pria Chang	Chantilly, VA	Post Graduate
Savannah Short	Canton, GA	Student	Elizabeth Hubbard	Richmond, VA	Student
Veerinder Pannu	Evans, GA	Faculty	Ellen Byrne	Richmond, VA	Faculty
Caitlyn Stouder	Evans, GA	Student	Chelsea Tolbert	Richmond, VA	Student
Marlina Manhiani	Martinez, GA	Active	Sarah Brusko	Richmond VA	Student
Soallet Diez	Hialeah Gardens, FL	Student	Julia Giardina	Richmond, VA	Student
Lauren Dainesi	Lakewood Ranch, FL	Student	Rebecca Karp	Richmond, VA	Student
Amy LaShay Perry	Lakewood Ranch, FL	Student	Jennifer Matika	Richmond, VA	Student
Janet Han	Jacksonville, FL	Federal	Carol Yacoub	Richmond, VA	Student
Ashley Gren	Benoit, MS	Student	Ashley Pater	Richmond, VA	Student
Scarlett Woods	Brandin, MS	Student			
Sarah Malley	Florence, MS	Student			
Ambika Srivastava	Flowood, MS	Student			
Mary Linda Remley	Flowood, MS	Student			

NORTHEAST

Rebecca Bibum	NE, DC	Student	Madeleine Maas	Ridgewood, NJ	Post Graduate
Oyindamola Oluseye	Washington, DC	Student	Jessica Li	Briarcliff Manor, NY	Post Graduate
Coralie Ciceron	Washington, DC	Student	Setareh Ghanbarian	Deer Park, NY	Student
Ahna Kelley	Washington, DC	Student	Elizabeth Gildersleeve	Elmsford, NY	Student
Marina Kanakos	Boston, MA	Student	Amanda Vedros	Elmsford, NY	Student
Shannon Dugns	Boston, MA	Student	Arlyn Fraim	Elmsford, NY	Student
Jacqueline Nguyen	Boston, MA	Student	Carmin Gonzalez	Harrison, NY	Student
Spurthi Arashinagundi	Boston, MA	Student	Melissa Levine	Hawthorne, NY	Faculty
Alyssa Kotin	Boston, MA	Student	Jennifer Mehrens	New York, NY	Student
Lauren Lubowitz	Boston, MA	Student	Jennifer Shin	New York, NY	Active
Natalie Djansezian	Boston, MA	Student	Lea Chernoff	Setauket, NY	Student
Kaitlyn O'Connell	Somerville, MA	Student	Amanda Morgenthal	Tuckahoe, NY	Student
Viktoryia Lenish	Silver Spring, MD	Student	Wendy Batista Rodriguez	White Plains, NY	Student
Rachel Williams	Worton, MD	Student	Lisa Perlow	White Plains, NY	Student
Sabrina Mellusi	Budd Lake, NJ	Student	Lana Hashim	Yonkers, NY	Student
Omer Hillel	East Brunswick, NJ	Student	Erika Pino	Cranston, RI	Student

AAWD Corporate Members

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Are you thinking about becoming a partner of AAWD but haven't made the commitment yet? NOW is the time! Women dentists are the future of dentistry and AAWD is growing – join us now and show women dentists your support. Contact AAWD HQ at info@aawd.org for more information or click [here](#) for info on partnering with us.

Calendar of Events

February 2018

National Children's Dental Month

February 2

Give Kids a Smile Day

Go Red for Women

February 4

World Cancer Day

February 9-11

American Association of Orthodontists

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry

Joint Winter Conference

Scottsdale, Arizona

February 21-24

American Student Dental Association

Annual Session

Anaheim, California

February 22-24

Chicago Dental Society

153rd Midwinter Meeting

Chicago, Illinois

February 23-24

American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics

67th Annual Scientific Session

Chicago, Illinois

February 28-March 3

Academy of Osteointegration

Annual Meeting

Los Angeles, California

March 2018

National Nutrition Month

National Women's History Month (USA)

March 1

Eleanor J. Bushee Award nominations due.

March 2

Employee Appreciation Day

March 2-8

National Patient Safety Awareness Week

March 4-10

Dental Assistants Recognition Week

March 8

International Women's Day

March 17-20

American Dental Education Association

Annual Session and Exhibition

Orlando, Florida

March 21-24

American Association for Dental Research

Canadian Association for Dental Research

Annual Meeting and Exhibition

Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

March 22-24

106th Thomas P. Hinman Dental Meeting

Atlanta, Georgia

April 2018

Oral, Head and Neck Cancer Awareness Month

National Interprofessional Health Care Month

April 1

Chronicle submissions due for Issue 2.

April 2-8

National Public Health Week

Healthiest Nation 2030: Changing our Future Together

April 7

World Health Day

April 8-10

ADA Dentist and Student Lobby Day

Washington, D.C.

April 12-14

Western Regional Dental Experience

Glendale, Arizona

April 20-21

PerioPassion Dental Seminars

Healthier Patients. Healthier Profits.

Lisa Marie Sahama, DDS, FADG

Newport News, Virginia

For more information, go to

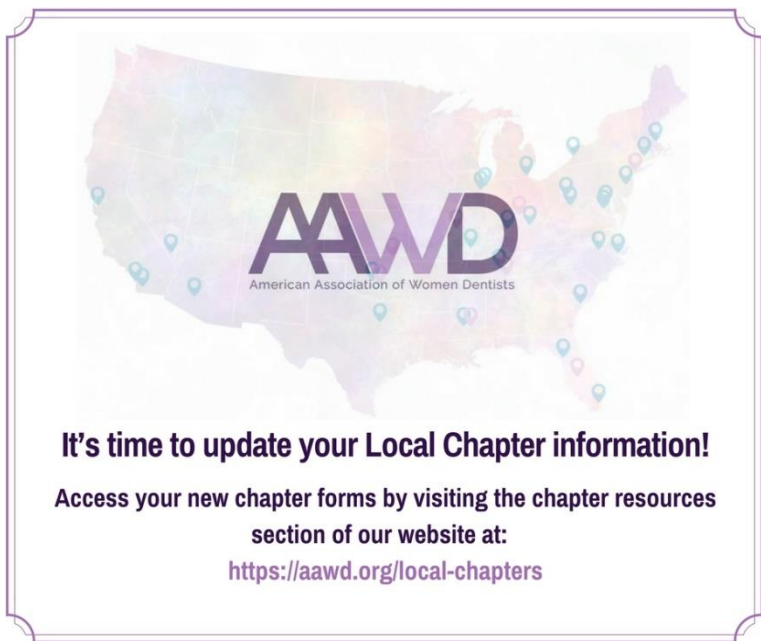
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April 25-28

American Association of Endodontists

Annual Session

Denver, Colorado



Chronicle Deadlines

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Submissions for the May Issue (Q2) are due by April 1, 2018.

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Top Reasons to Become a Part of AAWD

Founded in 1921, AAWD dedicates itself to enhancing and promoting unique participation and leadership for women in dentistry by seeking to mentor and support women dentist professionals academically and personally.

Members can enjoy discounts on services and products through our Corporate Partner Members, as well as:

- Access to the online membership directory with patient locator for women dentists.
- Awards and scholarship programs.
- Assistance with local chapter start-up.
- AAWD's quarterly newsletter, the *Chronicle*.
- Speaker's Bureau—AAWD actively promotes women speakers on a variety of topics.
- Opportunities throughout the year to connect with and learn from women dentists throughout the United States.
- Educational programs—Annual meeting and regional seminars.
- Strength in numbers—Become part of the growing community of women dentists that is helping to shape the future of dentistry.

Be part of AAWD! Join today!

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